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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
(Only for new nonprovisional applications under CFR 1.53(b))

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| Docket No.:  | 377/9-1912  |
| Inventor(s): | Antonio BATTISTI, Via Caccini 37, 04100 Latina, Italy   |
| Title:       | AN APPARATUS FOR SUPPLYING ARTICLES TO A TRANSFERRING LINE, IN PARTICULAR FOR FEEDING A CONTAINER FILLING MACHINE |

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS** (See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents)

- ☒ 1. Fee Transmittal Form (attachment)
- ☒ 2. Specification, Claims, Abstract [Total pages 13]
- ☒ 3. Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total pages 2, Figs. 1-2]
- ☒ 4. Oath or Declaration
- ☒ Executed Declaration
- ☒ a. Newly executed (original or copy) 2 Inventors
- ☐ b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(For continuation/divisional with box 17 completed)
- ☐ I. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the Prior application see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) & 1.33(b).
- ☐ 5. Incorporation by Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

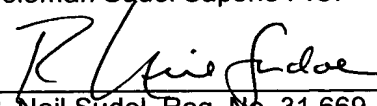
- ☐ 6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
- ☐ 7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (If applicable, all necessary)
- ☐ a. Computer Readable Copy
- ☐ b. Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- ☐ c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

- ☒ 8. Assignment Papers (1 cover sheet (PTO-1595) and 1 document(s) for recording)
- ☐ 9. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is a assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
- ☒ 10. Application Data Sheet
- ☐ 11. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS citations (refs. )
- ☐ 12. Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ 13. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)
- ☒ 14. **Small Entity Statement-The Applicant and assignee if any qualify for and hereby claim small entity status.**
- ☐ 15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s):  
(Only if foreign priority is claimed)
- ☒ 16. Other: This application claims priority in Italian Patent Application No. BO2003A000075 filed February 20, 2003
- ☐ 17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:  
☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)  
of prior application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group: \_\_\_\_\_
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## Fee Transmittal Form

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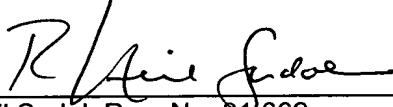
**THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:**

|  | Claims<br>filed |          | Extra | SMALL<br>\$ 385.00 | LARGE<br>\$ 770.00 | AMOUNT<br>\$ 385.00 |
|--|-----------------|----------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Claims   | 15              | Minus 20 | 0     | x \$ 9.00          | x \$ 18.00         | \$                  |
| Independent  | 1               | Minus 03 | 0     | x \$ 43.00         | x \$ 86.00         | \$                  |
| Multiple dependent claim fee                                     |                 |          |       | + \$ 145.00        | + \$ 290.00        | \$                  |
| ( ) Non-English specification 37 C.F.R. 1.17(k) fee (+ \$130.00) |                 |          |       |                    |                    | \$                  |
| ASSIGNMENT   |                 |          |       |                    |                    | \$ 40.00            |
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 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required with this submission or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-0838.
- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
  - b. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
  - c. ☐ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 118.

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